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E.O. 12065: XDS-1 3/20/99 (AMSTUTZ, J. BRUCE) OR-M  
TAGS: PEPR, PINS, US, PK, UR, IR, UK  
SUBJECT: "IZVESTIYA" REPORTEDLY CHARGES U.S. AND U.K.  
INTERFERENCE IN AFGHANISTAN

1. (S - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. ON MARCH 20, BBC ANNOUNCED THAT "IZVESTIYA" HAS CHARGE THAT THE U.S. AND U.K. ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR "COORDINATING" SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY AGAINST THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN (DRA). ALTHOUGH THE AFGHAN MEDIA HAVE NOT YET CARRIED THESE CHARGES, STREET DEMONSTRATORS AT KABUL ON MARCH 20 INCLUDED "DOWN WITH AMERICAN IMPERIALISM" AMONG THEIR SLOGANS.

3. FOR MOSCOW: IF THIS BBC REPORT IS ACCURATE, PLEASE SUPPLY THE EXACT TEXT OF THE "IZVESTIYA" ANNOUNCEMENT. IF TRUE, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDER HAVING AMBASSADOR TOON PROTEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THIS INFLAMMATORY PROPAGANDISTIC MEDDLING TO THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT.

5. IF THE DEPARTMENT THINKS IT APPROPRIATE, I COULD ALSO MAKE A DEMARCHE TO FOREIGN MINISTER HAFIZULLAH AMIN.

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